

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS

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Ms. Sheree' L. Jones County Auditor Rockwall County 101 South Fannin Rockwall, Texas 75087

OR90-326

Dear Ms. Jones:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 9859.

The Rockwall County Auditor received a request for, among other things, the salary and time sheets of certain named individuals. You have raised none of the act's exceptions to required public disclosure with regard to the requested information. Section 6(2) of the Open Records Act specifically makes public the salary of all public employees. Further, this office held in Open Records Decision No. 336 (1982) (copy enclosed) that the names of employees taking sick leave and the dates thereof are not protected by the common law right to privacy. The principles discussed in Open Records Decision No. 336 govern your request. Consequently, you must release the requested information.

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR90-326.

Yours very truly,

Jim Moellinger

Assistant Attorney General

Opinion Committee

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Enclosure: Open Records Decision No. 336